

REPORTS OF  
WILLIAMSBURG  
TOWN OFFICERS  
FOR THE YEAR

**1925**



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Williamsburg

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1925



NORTHAMPTON, MASS.

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## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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ARTICLE 1. To elect a Moderator, three Selectmen, who shall be overseers of the poor, one Town Clerk, one Treasurer, one Tax Collector, one Elector under the will of the late Oliver Smith Esq, two Constables, one Tree Warden, two Auditors, one Commissioner of Trust Funds, all for one year; one Commissioner of Trust Funds, one Assessor, for two years; one Assessor, one School committee, one Water Commissioner, one Sinking Fund Commissioner, one Library Trustee, one Commissioner of Trust Funds, all for three years.

ART. 2. To choose all necessary minor Town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$60.00 for Memorial Day and choose a committee to expend the same.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,100.00 for maintaining Street Lights.

ART. 5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the current expenses of the Town.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of the revenue of the current financial year.

- ART. 7. To fix the amount of salaries of all elected officers.
- ART. 8. To hear the report of the Selectmen, Treasurer, School, Water, and other committees and act thereon.
- ART. 9. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to expend the Whiting Street Fund, or take any action in relation thereto.
- ART. 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$150.00 for the support of Hampshire Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture and elect a director of that organization who will be the official Town representative for said Trustee as per Chapter 273 of Acts of 1918.
- ART. 11. To see if the Town will accept the provision of Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1922. To raise and appropriate \$5,750.00 to maintain roads exclusive of State Highways.
- ART. 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$300.00 amount necessary to expend for suppressing gipsy and brown-tail moth in 1926.
- ART. 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$250.00 for the use of the Haydenville Public Library.
- ART. 14. To see if the Town will vote to extend the water main from the home of Jennie Kenney on the Goshen Highway, to the home of Hallock Nichols, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the employment of district or other nurses; such appropriation may be expended by the selectmen or by the board of health, when so authorized by the selectmen.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair bridges, remove snow, and other road work not covered by Chapter 81 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1922.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$45.00 for the Town Cemetery on Mt. Street.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 for the contingent account.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for Fire and other Insurance and Bonds of Town Officers.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 for the Interest account.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the Fire Department.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$925.00 to reimburse the County for 50% of the land damage at the Williams St. Bridge site.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$600.00 to construct a Side walk on North St, Pre A.

- ART. 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 for the installation of a Fire Alarm System.
- ART. 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$800.00 to purchase a one TON Truck.
- ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to install two St. lights on the west end of cemetery hill road.
- ART. 27. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a committee to investigate, recommend and report to the next Annual Town Meeting a System of Town accounting.
- ART. 28. To see if the Town will vote to purchase the Chejic property which lies within the shed of the towns domestic water supply, and raise and appropriate \$250.00 for the purpose.
- ART. 29. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$2,000.00 for the purchase of a Tractor and equipment, for snow removal and other road work.
- ART. 30. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the snow roller on its highways. Also to run the tractor 24 hours a day until such time the roads are clear of snow.

The polls may close at 3 P. M.



# Selectmen's Report

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To the Citizens of the Town of Williamsburg.

Selectmen's Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1925, respectfully submitted.

## CONTINGENT

Appropriation,		\$3,000 00
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph Co.,	\$125 80	
W. H. Riley, Tile for Grange Hall,	2 70	
G. V. Warner, Liquor Cases,	7 00	
Robert J. Damon, Trucking,	5 00	
A. G. Cone, Exp. to Boston,	24 30	
A. G. Cone, Board of Health Cases,	15 75	
A. G. Cone, Postage and Stamps,	11 00	
A. G. Cone, Levitt Case,	14 00	
A. G. Cone, Land taking and Deed,		
Mrs. James,	6 75	
A. G. Cone, Liquor Cases,	95 25	
A. G. Cone, Perambulating Town		
Lines,	27 15	
A. G. Cone, Census 1925,	45 00	
W. M. Purrington, Insurance Grange		
Hall,	14 80	

Bridgman & Lyman, Books, Pads,	
Blank Paper, Atlas,	\$13 25
Fred Vining, Inspector of Meat,	114 00
W. E. Lee, Ballot Clerk, and Labor	
for Tree Warden,	32 00
J. R. Mansfield, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
J. H. Graham, Coal for Town Hall,	21 15
Josephine Sheehan, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Hattie Metcalf, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Thomas Dolan, Wood Town Hall,	11 00
P. J. Murphy, Town Sewer, Lab, on	
Fountain,	19 50
B. L. Dobbs, Care of Town Hall	
and Booths,	12 00
B. L. Dobbs, Ballot Clerk,	12 00
B. L. Dobbs, Traffic Duty,	20 00
B. L. Dobbs, Labor for Tree Warden,	25 00
B. L. Dobbs, Police Duty,	7 00
B. L. Dobbs, Sealer of Weights	
and Measures,	7 50
B. L. Dobbs, Inspector of Milk,	5 50
John Campbell, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Hattie Lincoln, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Emma Smith, Ballot Clerk,	4 00
Steven Burke, Registrar,	15 00
Steven Burke, Special Officer,	
July 3,	5 00
Steven Burke, Ballot Clerk,	12 00
Edward Larkin, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Elizabeth Fitch, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Martha Bisbee, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
John Trainor, Ballot Clerk,	4 00
John Trainor, Game Warden,	100 00
Frank Sanderson, Care of Scales,	18 00
Frank Sanderson, Wood for	
Town Hall,	12 00

Cecil Bagnell & Co., Order Books,	\$5 88
T. F. Lenihan, Phone & Postage on Town Reports,	18 10
J. A. Breckenridge, Inspector of Animals,	58 00
J. W. Heffernan, Supplies,	7 73
Hobbs & Warren, Legal Blanks and Cash Book,	6 22
Birth Returns,	11 00
Howard Pomeroy, Tree Warden,	54 25
Harry Warner, Perambulating Town Lines,	6 50
Hammond & Hammond, Legal Adv.,	51 75
John Nobles, Tell Bill, and Traffic Duty,	16 82
N. K. Lincoln, Perambulating Town Lines,	19 53
Dr. Martin, Vet, Dog Case,	6 00
P. B. Murphy, Legal Blanks,	3 90
Director of Accts,	8 00
W. G. Bisbee, Lab. and Locks, Meekins Library,	2 90
W. G. Bisbee, Mailing Town Reports,	10 00
W. G. Bisbee, Recording Births and Deaths,	85 00
W. G. Bisbee, Registrar,	25 00
W. G. Bisbee, Postage on Town Reports,	10 00
W. G. Bisbee, Census, 1925,	45 00
W. G. Bisbee, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
W. G. Bisbee, Repairing Town Hall, and Shed,	95 00
W. G. Bisbee, Stamped Paper,	22 16
P. H. Chew, Records Town Clerk,	25 50
A. H. Beers, Surveying,	15 00
A. J. Tilton, Registrar,	15 00
Michael Riley, Registrar,	15 00

Hampshire County Trust,	
Safe Dep. Box, for Treas,	\$6 75
Puro Drinking Co., Repairs on	
Fountain,	4 50
William H. Harty, Printing for Tres,	1 00
Gazette Printing Co., Town Reports,	139 00
Bisbee Bros., Seed and Phosphate,	1 65
Charles Powers, Janitor Town Hall,	
Mar. to April,	12 00
Charles Powers, Sealer of Weights	
and measures, Mar. to May,	19 76
Charles Powers, Inspector of Milk,	15 00
Meanys, Uniform for Officer,	30 90
Dr. C. H. Wheeler, Toxin Anti-Toxin	
Clinic,	\$25 00
Dr. J. G. Hayes, Toxin Anti-Toxin	
Clinic,	25 00
Cecil Loomis, Ballot Clerk,	4 00
Charles H. Chase, Transfers for	
Assessors,	11 20
Charles H. Chase, Recording Deeds,	7 40
Harry M. Stary, Auto Tax List	
for Assessors,	4 00
Devo Printing Co., Supplies,	23 75
American R. R. Exp.,	69
Selectmen, Liquor Cases,	25 00
Jif. E. On, Chair Seats,	2 50
J. E. Fairbanks Co., Record Book,	15 20
Mert O'Brien, Special Officer, July 3,	5 00
George M. Pelke, Labor on Eng.	
House, Pre B,	55 62
H. S. Packard, Supplies,	16 84
E. O'Neil, Ballot Clerk,	4 00
H. Bradford, Ballot Clerk,	8 00
Ralph Emerson, Labor July 3,	5 00
Warner H. Nash, Labor Town Hall and	
Traffic Duty,	113 75

George Cramer, Supplies Town Hall,	\$2 32
Burke & Burdoe, Supplies Town Hall,	12 44
Laura Rustermeier, Labor for Board of Assessors,	15 00
George Brown, Serv in Dog Case,	10 00
Shaw, Hickey & Cook, Attorney, Liquor Cases,	156 00
N. J. Ryan, Liquor Cases,	55 00
Edwin J. Graves, Liquor Cases,	76 84
H. E. Wells, Analysis of Liquor,	25 00
Gleason Bros., Trucking & Storage,	42 75
H. S. Gere & Sons, Printing Notices,	6 00
John Nobles, Collecting Dog Tax,	30 00
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Total,	\$2,589 50
Expended for Poor under this account,	764 64
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Total,	\$3,354 14
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Overdrawn,	\$354 14

## HIGHWAY

Appropriation,	\$3,500 00
Received for Calcium Chloride,	43 60
Received for damage to Bradfords Bridge,	52 76
Use of Town Truck Under 81,	771 00
Use of Town Tractor Under 81,	389 75
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	\$4,757 11
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Frank Bisbee, Labor,	\$8 00
Orange Hill, Labor,	43 15
Lewis Alexander, Labor,	4 00
George Cramer, Tile,	12 07
A. G. Cone, Bridge Work,	6 75
A. G. Cone, Labor Ice,	19 90

A. G. Cone, Serv with Car, Springfield for parts for State snow removal Plow, and Plates, 4 trips,	\$35 00
A. G. Cone, To Holyoke returning snow plow,	3 00
A. G. Cone, Serv with County Com- missioners on State Highway,	18 38
A. G. Cone, With County Com- missioners on roads to be discontinued,	20 25
A. G. Cone, Placing Signs,	1 00
Charles Dadmon, Labor,	4 00
Allen Adams, Labor team,	6 00
Homer Bradford, Labor,	4 00
W. A. Lee, Labor,	2 40
John Trainor, Labor,	6 00
Charles Leupin, Labor,	9 00
Henry Welch, Labor,	11 25
Richard Welch, Labor,	9 25
Moris P. Clark, Plowing Snow Roads,	64 00
John Malloy, Labor,	14 25
Edward Foran, Labor,	5 50
C. P. Rustermeyer, Labor,	1 25
Thomas Lenihan, Labor with truck,	36 75
John Lenihan, Labor,	8 75
Joseph Gagne, Labor,	1 50
Charles O'Brien, Labor,	5 00
George Thrasher, Plank,	155 02
C. V. Dadmon, Cutting Gutters, Ice,	4 00
H. H. Nichols, Labor,	100 76
Alfred Nichols, Labor,	46 50
Philip Burdoe, Labor, gas for truck,	47 85
Silver Fox Farm, Snow Roller, Team,	48 00
Bisbee Bros., Salt,	1 50



Floyd Pennington, Labor Snow,	\$13 00
William Spitzer, Labor Snow,	3 75
Thomas Dolan, Labor Snow,	36 00
John Ice, Labor,	10 00
Lester Waite, Labor,	2 50
Joseph Bartoski, Labor,	3 50
Hans Nitchie, Labor,	5 50
Carl Levitt, Labor,	2 50
N. Y. N. H. H. R. R., Freight,	3 25
L. H. Cranston, Labor, on bridge,	7 00
John Breckenridge, Labor Snow,	34 85
Graves Garage, Labor and parts for State Truck,	478 28
Graves Garage, Labor and parts for Town Truck,	170 73
Graves Garage, Gas for Town Truck and Tractor,	222 23
Silas Snow, Labor,	15 00
P. J. Murphy, Labor on Bridge,	7 95
William Maynard, Labor Snow,	5 00
Edwin Graves, Labor Snow,	2 00
Catherin Walpole, Labor Snow,	1 50
Lyle C. Wales, Labor Snow, Team,	25 75
F. E. Sanderson, Labor Snow, Roller, Team,	57 50
Fred Sanderson, Labor Snow,	3 00
Harry Warner, Labor, Team,	22 40
Walter Kellogg, Labor,	4 00
Harry Dahmski, Labor,	9 40
N. K. Lincoln, Labor,	168 58
Alvah Shumway, Labor,	32 88
Francis Quinn, Labor,	13 98
Hampshire County Commissioners, Adv, Roads to be Closed,	6 00
A. H. Beers, Surveying,	18 00
Williamsburg Water Dept, Planks,	482 72

Charles Merritt, Labor,	\$9 00
Robert Loud, Labor,	2 37
E. F. Miner, Labor,	15 75
Frank Loomer, Labor,	3 00
Valley Oil Co., Moter Oil,	27 28
W. G. Bisbee, Labor,	9 00
P. H. MacAvoy, Repairs,	6 60
B. L. Dobbs, Labor,	20 00
Haynes H. Chilson, Copy of Index	
Town Roads,	2 00
H. F. Davis, Oil for Tractor,	36 00
Lyle C. Wales, Labor,	14 85
Wing & Evans, Calcium Chloride,	54 95
W. J. Sheehan, Material,	11 03
Arthur Tilton, Gravel,	20 90
J. S. Graves & Son, Planks,	27 90
Taylor & Mellon, Labor,	1 63
P. E. O'Leary, 12 Street Signs,	15 00
Forest Durent, Labor,	4 00
Cecil Loomis, Labor,	42 00
W. F. Bissell, Rep tires for Truck,	4 75
Wilfred Graves, Labor,	20 00
C. P. Otis, Labor,	7 44
Harold Smart, Labor,	6 98
Norwood Engineering Co., Sewer	
Grate,	5 00
Samuel Cowing, Labor,	1 75
Walter Ratinski, Labor,	50
Total,	<hr/> \$3,104 28
Unexpended	<hr/> 1,652 83



# MONEY EXPENDED ON ROADS FOR LABOR AND MATERIAL IN 1925

Under Chapter 81 of the General Laws as Amended by  
Chapter 281, Accts of 1922

Received from State,	\$3,150 00	
Appropriation,	4,200 00	
Town of Goshen,	6 90	
	<hr/>	\$7,356 90

## Expended for Material :

Arthur Tilton, Gravel,	\$192 00	
Bisbee Bros., Cement,	1 80	
Town of Williamsburg, Gravel,	14 30	
P. H. McAvoy, Blacksmithing,	25 60	
Berger Mfg. Co., Metal Culverts,	83 30	
Lyle Wales, Gravel,	15 40	
H. S. Parkard, Supplies,	14 40	
Harry Warner, Gravel,	81 10	
G. A. Thresher, Gravel,	2 30	
Texas Oil Co., Oil,	258 19	
Ward Shumway, Gravel,	7 50	
J. Bartofsky, Gravel,	3 20	
Tyler Co., Rep on scraper,	19 65	
C. K. Merritt, Gravel,	3 00	
J. S. Sullivan Co., Bolts,	2 21	
C. A. Maynard Co., Shovels,	8 88	
	<hr/>	\$732 83

Culvert Pipe on hand, \$90 00.

## Expended for Labor,

H. H. Nichols, Sup, Labor,	\$1,084 70
A. Nichols, Labor,	604 25
O. W. Hill, Labor,	585 25

John Breckenridge, Labor,	\$550 47
Philip Burdoe, Labor,	544 52
G. A. Thresher, Labor with team,	709 97
E. F. Miner, Labor,	63 20
Town Tractor, Labor,	389 75
Town Truck, Labor,	771 00
John Black, Labor,	1 35
A. A. Shumway, Labor,	448 90
E. M. Phelps, Labor with auto,	139 45
Cecil Loomis, Labor with truck,	475 50
Myron Lawton, Labor,	3 60
H. E. Bradford, Labor,	3 60
R. N. Graves, Labor,	14 00
George Harris, Labor,	3 60
Wilfred Graves, Labor,	3 60
M. Waller, Labor,	1 80
Lewis Black, Labor,	1 35
C. K. Merritt, Labor,	10 12
A. E. Everett, Labor,	10 12
Frank Loomer, Labor,	142 88
E. P. Hemenway, Labor,	1 12
Robert Marther, Labor, team,	21 60
Myra G. Hill, Labor, team,	33 30
Harry Warner, Labor, team,	2 70
Edward O'Neil, Labor, team,	7 20
L. C. Wales, Labor, team,	7 20

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\$6,618 10

Total Expended,

\$7,350 93

Unexpended Balance,

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\$7,356 90

## EXPENDED ON ROADS

## Chapter 81—1925

1	Mountain Street,	\$1,621 85
2	Chesterfield Road,	1,430 59
3	Ashfield Road,	451 44
4	Conway Road,	60 64
5	Shumway Pillinger Road,	00 00
6	Depot Road,	628 60
7	Nash Street,	295 15
8	John Lee Road,	13 05
9	Valley View Road,	34 40
10	Mill Street,	57 95
11	Cemetery Hill,	244 08
12	Cemetery Hill Branch,	00 00
13	Old Goshen Road,	297 75
14	Brier Hill Road,	89 44
15	Petticoat Hill Road,	68 00
16	Dolan Road,	31 00
17	Unquomunk Road,	33 90
18	South Street,	711 62
19	Hyde Hill,	207 68
20	Hyde Hill Branch,	00 00
21	Gere Hill,	10 80
22	Billard Road,	00 00
23	Adams Road,	172 10
24	North Farms Road,	138 80
25	Hatfield Road,	28 10
26	Kingsley Ave.,	59 75
27	South Main St.,	205 35
28	Hemenway Road,	262 45
	General Work,	00 00
29	O'Neil Road,	38 40
		<hr/> \$7,192 89

## TRACTOR

Appropriation,		\$2,000 00
Paid H. F. Davis, Model W Cletrac,	\$1,525 00	
Paid H. F. Davis, Snow Plow,	200 00	
Paid H. F. Davis, Set of Ice Caulks,	75 00	
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	\$1,800 00	
Less 1%,	18 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$1,782 00
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Unexpended Balance,		218 00

## EDWARDS EXTENSION

Appropriation,		\$500 00
Paid, New England Metal Culvert Co.,	\$48 00	
Paid, Jakup Grzsuyz, Land Taking,	50 00	
Paid, Frank Sanderson, on acct.,	150 00	
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Total,		\$248 00
Road not completed,		

## WILLIAMS STREET BRIDGE

Appropriation,		\$3,000 00
Paid Bianchie & Way,	\$3,000 00	

## UNDERPASS PRE B

Appropriation, 1922,	\$2,000 00	
Appropriation, 1923,	500 00	
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	\$2,500 00	
Paid N. Y. N. H. H. R. R.,		\$2,500 00

## STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation,		\$2,000 00
Paid Northampton Electric Co.,		
Current,	\$1,935 00	
Mill River Electric Co.,		
Lamps,	74 25	2,009 25
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Over Drawn,		\$9 25

## FIRE DEPARTMENT PRE A &amp; B

Appropriation,		\$300 00
Williamsburg Garage, Room Rent,		
Fire Truck and Labor Pre A,	\$59 34	
W. J. Sheehan & Co., Hoes Pre B,	19 25	
Mill Elec. Light Co., Current for		
Engine House Pre A & B.,	18 00	
John P. Manwell, Refilling Ex-		
tinguisher,	2 00	
W. J. Foss Co., Hose Pre A,	43 29	
J. E. Welch, Tres, Salary of 20 men,	40 00	
J. E. Welch, Tres, Serv. at 5 fires,		
Pre B,	66 00	
Precinct A, Salary of 20 men,	40 00	
Precinct A, Serv. at 5 fires,	29 20	
Sam Cowing, Labor Pre A,	2 40	
	<hr/>	\$319 48
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Over Drawn,		19 48

## MOTHERS' PENSION

Appropriation,	\$500 00
Received from State,	794 00
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Total,	\$1,294 00
Expended,	647 00
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	\$547 00

## POOR

Appropriation,		\$1,000 00
Received from City of Northampton	\$462 30	
Received from State,	208 16	
Received from Individuals,	559 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,230 21
Total,		\$2,230 21
Expended,		1,022 64
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Unexpended,		\$1,207 57

## LOAN ACCOUNT

Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,		
Temp. Loan,	\$35,000 00	
Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,		
Underpass note,	500 00	
Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,		
Silk Mill bridge note,	1,000 00	
Paid Hampshire County Trust,		
Water ext note,	800 00	
Paid Hampshire County Trust,		
Williams St Bridge note,	1,000 00	
First National Bank, Northampton,		
Cone bridge note,	1,000 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$39,300 00

## LIBRARY Pre A.

Appropriation,	\$250 00
Paid Meekins Library,	250 00

## INSURANCE AND BONDS

Appropriation,	\$300 00
Paid W. M. Purrington, Ins on	
Engine house Pre A,	\$30 30

Paid W. M. Purrington, Ins on		
Engine house Pre B,	\$16 60	
Paid W. M. Purrington, Road Machinery, 4 20		
Paid W. M. Purrington, Liability and		
Fire on truck,	49 10	
Paid W. M. Purrington, Ins on		
Workmen,	184 66	
Paid W. M. Purrington, Bonds for		
town officers,	65 50	
Total,	<hr/>	\$350 36
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Over Drawn,		\$50 36

## DISTRICT COURT FEES

Paid Edward H. Blake, Serv and Exp,	\$54 50
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HAMPSHIRE TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO  
AGRICULTURE

Appropriation,	\$150 00	
Paid Trustees,		\$150 00

## MEMORAL DAY

Appropriation,	\$60 00
Paid Adelbert Bailey,	\$60 00

## DISTRICT NURSE

Appropriation,	\$500 00
Paid Fabiola Plourde,	410 00
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Unexpended Balance,	\$90 00



## MOTH WORK

Appropriation,		\$400 00
Paid A. G. Cone, Sup,	\$72 30	
Howard Pomeroy,	71 65	
N. K. Lincoln,	10 80	
W. E. Lee,	59 80	
B. L. Dobbs,	18 00	
Joseph Riley,	27 00	
R. R. Express,	75	
	<hr/>	\$260 30
Unexpended Bal,		\$139 70

## TOWN CEMETERY MT. ST.

Appropriation,	\$50 00
Paid W. A. Lee, Labor and Sup,	45 81
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Unexpended Bal.,	\$4 19

## COUNTY TAX

Paid Treasurer of Hampshire Co, County Tax,	\$6,297 93
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## INTEREST ACCOUNT

Appropriation,	\$2,500 00
Paid First Nat. Bank, Northampton,	\$350 00
Hampshire Co. Trust Co.,	225 00
Haydenville Savings Bank,	1,570 83
State Treasurer on Water Bond,	800 00
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	\$2,945 83
Over Drawn,	<hr/>
	\$445 83

## STATE AID

Received from State,	\$168 00
Paid,	\$168 00



## SINKING FUND

Paid Sinking Fund Commission,	\$1,000 00
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## ELECTA WAITE TRUST FUND

Unexpended Balance of 1924,	\$38 18	
Income 1925,	79 78	
Total,	<hr/>	\$117 96
Paid 11 Beneficiaries,	\$110 00	
Bank Service Charge,	2 50	
Total,	<hr/>	\$112 50
Unexpended Balance,		<hr/> \$5 46

## A. S. HILLS TRUST FUND

Unexpended Balance of 1924,	\$444 30	
Income 1925,	212 50	
Total,	<hr/>	\$656 80
Paid 21 Beneficiaries,		210 00
Unexpended Balance,		<hr/> \$446 80

## SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation,	\$1,800 00
W. G. Loomis, Auditor,	\$25 00
R. P. Buck, Auditor,	15 00
C. R. Damon, Moderator, 1923-24-25,	40 00
A. G. Cone, Selectman, Chr,	250 00
N. K. Lincoln, Selectman,	100 00
H. W. Warner, Selectman,	100 00
Anna Watson, Treasurer,	100 00
W. G. Bisbee, Tax Col,	300 00
W. G. Bisbee, Town Clerk,	150 00
J. R. Mansfield, Assessor,	100 00

Roswell Jorgenson, Assessor,	\$85 00	
Walter Kellogg, Assessor,	85 00	
H. E. Bradford, Col of Water Board,	75 00	
Anna Watson, Serv for Water Board,	35 00	
John Nobles, Constable,	100 00	
B. L. Dobbs, Constable,	50 00	
Charles Powers, Constable,	36 22	
Frank Bisbee, Elector Oliver S-Will,	10 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$1,656 22
Unexpended Balance,		<hr/> \$143 78

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE TOWN TRUCK

## DR.

Paid for truck in 1924,	\$677 62	
For Sup, Lab, Gas, Oil,	429 46	
For insurance,	60 05	
For Registration,	2 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$1,169 13
1925		
Paid for Sup, Lab, Gas, Oil,	\$313 99	
For Insurance,	49 10	
For Registration,	2 00	
Total 1925,	<hr/>	\$365 09
Total Dec. 31, 1925,		<hr/> \$1,534 22

## CR.

Received Under Chap 81,	\$607 88	
Town of Whately,	24 00	
School Dept.,	2 00	
Town Roads,	50 00	
Total,	<hr/>	\$683 88

1925

Received Under Chap. 81,	\$771 00	
Town Roads,	50 00	
Total,	<u>          </u>	\$821 00
		<u>          </u>
Total Dec. 31,		\$1,504 88

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TOWN TRACTOR

DR.

Paid for Tractor in 1925,		
Equipped,	\$1,782 00	
For Gas, Lab, Oil,	147 00	
Registration,	2 00	
Total,	<u>          </u>	\$1,931 00

CR.

Received Under Chap. 81,	\$389 75	
Supplies on Hand,	15 00	
Total Dec. 31,	<u>          </u>	\$404 75

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TOWN GRAVEL  
BANK

DR.

Paid for Land,	\$100 00	
For Surveying,	10 00	
Total,	<u>          </u>	\$110 00

CR.

Received 1924 Under Chap. 81,	\$19 50	
1925, Chap. 81,	14 30	
Total,	<u>          </u>	\$33 80

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Alfred A. Cone,  
 NEWTON K. LINCOLN,  
 HARRY W. WARNER.

# Town Clerk's Report

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## LICENSES

Two licenses were issued to Junk Dealers.

Three licenses were issued to Pool Rooms.

Two licenses were issued to Auctioneers.

Paid Treasurer as per my receipts, \$27 00

## FISH AND GAME

Under provisions of Chapter 131, Section 12 of the General Laws, I have paid the Division of Fisheries and Game for 313 licenses issued in 1925, \$395.25.

## DOGS

The whole number of dogs licensed are 160, 136 males and 24 females.

Under provision of Chapter 102, Section 103 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, I have paid Kirk H. Stone, County Treasurer \$363.00 as per my receipts.

## MILITARY

The whole number of males subject to military Duty is 330, list on file with Town Clerk.

## BIRTHS

Whole number of Births recorded 35 as follows :

Jan.	11.	Charlotte Preston Otis.
Jan.	13.	Sherwood Clinton Wales.
Jan.	20.	Robert Leo Lamagdelanie.
Jan.	30.	Roland Wright McChesney.
Feb.	1.	Herbert Arthur Spitzer.
Feb.	2.	Eleanor Underhill Johnson.
Feb.	8.	Walter G. Evans.
Feb.	27.	Aubrey Louise Jones.
March	1.	Margaret Demerski.
March	6.	Meredith Pearl Burdeau.
April	5.	Alexander Jablonski.
April	17.	Mary Matrishon.
April	28.	Josephine Lintnes.
May	3.	Henry Teofil Widelo.
May	4.	Eugene Gilbert Brady.
June	13.	Mary Helen Sincage.
June	14.	George Molloy.
June	25.	Robert Morin.
June	27.	Homer Philip Burdeau.
July	3.	Thomas Peter Algustosky.
July	4.	Gordon David Loomis.
July	14.	Rose Anna Barre.
July	16.	Millard Herbert Hathaway.
July	17.	Mary Janet Bowker.
July	21.	Seaborne King Burt.
Sept.	1.	Ruth Lois Sanderson.
Sept.	8.	Ethel Jane Lafleur.
Sept.	10.	Robert Kenneth Ryan.
Sept.	11.	Margaret Clark Gould.
Sept.	21.	Richard Wallace Weeks.
Sept.	26.	Geneva Graves.
Nov.	7.	Catherine Angel Ingellis.
Nov.	28.	Bessie Golash.
Dec.	12.	Vadislauf Demerski.
Dec.	22.	Jeanne Myotte.

## MARRIAGES

Whole number of marriages 17, recorded as follows:

- May 12. Stanley Roguski, Easthampton.  
Katie Osga (Sawicki), Williamsburg.
- May 18. Louis Prince, Williamsburg.  
Lora Rose Laurie, Williamsburg.
- June 9. Harry Gordon Rhoades, Williamsburg.  
Rosella Ice, Williamsburg.
- June 22. John J. Dunphy, Williamsburg.  
Julia A. Hickey, Northampton.
- June 29. Edward C. Walsh, Williamsburg.  
Zella Damon Clapp, Williamsburg.
- July 7. Ami Lacourse, Williamsburg.  
Louise Belle Graves, Hatfield.
- July 13. Harry P. King, Easthampton.  
Lumina Lupien, Williamsburg.
- Aug. 6. Alfred Frenier, Northampton.  
Alice O'Brien, Williamsburg.
- Sept. 16. William Augustine Bernache, Northampton.  
Helena Irene Larkin, Williamsburg.
- Sept. 22. Herman Arthur Lampron, Northampton.  
Olive Mary Prince, Williamsburg.
- Oct. 6. Harry Warner Tower, Northampton.  
Carrol Leone Clark, Williamsburg.
- Oct. 10. George Alonzo Mirick, Cambridge, Mass.  
Grace James Gillette, Hudson, N. Y.
- Oct. 12. John Earsch, Easthampton.  
Josephine Ratenski, Williamsburg.
- Oct. 17. Clinton Archie Witherell, Northampton.  
Grace Mae Weeks, Williamsburg.
- Oct. 28. Thomas F. Lenihan, Williamsburg.  
Mary J. Walsh, Williamsburg.
- Nov. 23. Albert N. LaCasse, Williamsburg.  
Stella Kulas, Williamsburg.
- Nov. 26. Mark Frank Johnson, Southwick, Mass.  
Ethel Edith Culver, Conway, Mass.



## DEATHS

Whole number of Deaths 25, recorded as follows :

			Yrs.	Mos.	Days
Jan.	5.	Joseph St. Laurent,	81	10	5
Jan.	15.	Mary A. Cahill,	41	4	0
Jan.	12.	Joseph J. Ball,	76	2	4
Jan.	28.	Alec Golash,	1	4	12
Feb.	10.	Ormanzo Silas Payne,	76	1	29
March	14.	Michael Henry Smart,	68	7	2
March	25.	Henry Scott Knight,	72	6	4
April	19.	James R. Welch,	70	0	3
April	25.	Helen Elizabeth Fornier,	15	2	10
April	28.	Charlotte Thayer Hill,	83	9	17
May	5.	Thomas H. Ives,	80	10	18
May	10.	Elizabeth Cramer,	1	1	10
May	12.	Herbert H. West,	37	10	5
June	1.	Herbert Arthur Parmelee,	67	6	21
June	14.	Lyman Dickinson Wait,	90	6	26
June	17.	Julia Ann Peltier,	85	1	0
July	2.	Sarah Sophia Vincent,	88	3	19
July	11.	Isabell Phillips,	75	10	1
Aug.	11.	Clara Alice Nichols,	56	9	26
Aug.	16.	Clara Westfield,	61	0	0
Oct.	18.	Ellsworth Leonard,	50	5	0
Nov.	30.	Philip F. Morin,	63	8	10
Dec.	6.	Harry Willard Eaton,	44	7	6
Dec.	26.	James Mullally,	80	0	8
Dec.	7.	Clarence Alfred Nichols,	57	1	22

## REVISED JURY LIST

Louis A. Alexander,	Painter
Fred Dansereau,	Mechanic
Stephen J. Burke,	Merchant
Charles Roberge,	Mechanic
Arthur J. Tilton,	Mechanic
Cecil C. Loomis,	Farmer
Wells G. Bisbee,	Carpenter
Fred Vining,	Farmer
Hubert A. Smith,	Manufacture
George Brown,	Mill Foreman
Cheney Hathaway,	Garage Owner
Charles H. Gould,	Orchardist
Frank E. Main,	Asst. Foreman
Mertie O'Brien,	Moulder
Clarence Larkin,	Teacher
John E. Walsh,	R. F. D. Carrier
Roswell Jorgensen,	Bank Clerk
S. Ellis Clark,	Farmer
F. A. Shumway,	Farmer
Walter Kellogg,	Farmer

The following were drawn for Court Work for 1924,  
 Hubert A. Smith, Louis A. Alexander, Roswell Jorgensen,  
 Fred A. Shumway.

W. G. BISBEE,

Town Clerk.



## Collector's Report

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### 1923

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1925,	\$1,844 39
Outstanding not on books,	80

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\$1,845 19

Collected and Paid Treasurer,	\$1,696 15
Abatements,	114 94
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1926,	
Subject to abatement,	34 10

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\$1,845 19

### 1924

Outstanding Jan. 1st, 1925,	\$12,427 70
Collected and paid Treasurer,	\$8,772 26
Northampton Water Works,	228 75
Paid Treasurer in 1924,	
Abatements,	181 82
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1926,	
Subject to abatement,	3,244 89

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\$12,427 72

1925

Warrant,		\$42,319	24
Add poll,			2 00
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		\$42,321	24
Collected and paid Treasurer,	\$29,254	07	
Abatements,		23	45
Outstanding subject to abatements,	13,043	85	
	<hr/>		\$42,321 37

## INTEREST ACCOUNT

Collected and paid interest on 1923-24-25 taxes, \$554 31

Respectfully,

W. G. BISBEE,

Collector.

# Report of Water Commissioners

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## RECEIPTS

Received for water rents,	\$3,102 64
for service connections,	91 27
for town plank,	482 72
from Taylor & Mellen,	18 44
from Florence Casket Co.,	279 44
from Lane Construction Co.,	15 00
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	\$3,989 51

## EXPENDITURES

Paid Elwin Miner, labor with team,	\$128 00
George A. Thresher, labor with team,	202 93
Edward Lebrrie, chopping,	52 70
Taylor & Mellen, Sawing,	205 16
H. E. Bradford, moving lumber,	56 00
N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. crossing water pipe,	2 00
Northampton Water Dept. supplies,	32 86
Norwood Engineering Co., supplies,	80 47
The Haydenville Co., supplies,	17 31
F. N. Graves & Son, supplies,	13 00
W. J. Sheehan, supplies,	1 75
Bisbee Bros., supplies,	24 49
Burke & Burdeau, supplies,	51

H. E. Bradford, stamps and stationery,	\$15 00	
Metcalf Printing Co., printing,	12 00	
George A. Thresher, care of reservoir,	50 00	
P. J. Murphy, plumbing,	45 40	
A. G. Cone, expense acct.,	25 00	
W. M. Purrington, ins. liability,	65 75	
B. L. Dobbs, traffic duty,	7 80	
Stevens & Andre, legal adv.,	140 20	
Muler Co., tapping machine,	75 00	
S. P. Smiley, express,	2 11	
T. I. Breckenridge, labor,	109 90	
Sam Cowan, labor,	24 00	
Charles O'Brien, labor,	2 50	
Edward Welch, labor,	13 50	
Frank Bisbee, labor,	17 00	
Arthur Damon, labor,	2 00	
Merrill Ames, labor,	3 50	
John Welch, labor,	7 50	
Lewis Welch, labor,	12 00	
Frank Hosford, labor,	31 50	
H. E. Bradford, labor,	191 50	
Howard Baker, labor,	5 00	
Louis Alexander, labor,	14 50	
C. E. Strong, labor,	12 00	
L. C. Clark, labor,	35 36	
Howard Pomeroy, labor,	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,843 20
Balance,		2,146 31
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		\$3,989 51

GEORGE A. THRESHER,

H. E. BRADFORD,

T. J. BRECKENRIDGE,

Water Commissioners.

# Report of Library Trustees

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The Trustees of the Haydenville Library submit the following report:

The furnace which was put in early in the year adds much to the comfort and convenience of the Library.

About one hundred books have been added, including a gift of thirty books, from Mrs. George Hunter, which is greatly appreciated.

HATTIE A. METCALF,  
ELIZABETH PURRINGTON,  
ROBERT H. LIFE.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation,		\$400 00
Paid Bridgman & Lyman, Books,	\$126 19	
L. B. Lawrence, Labor,	14 80	
W. J. Sheehan, Sup.,	4 35	
Hattie Metcalf, Libr.,	53 50	
Taylor & Mellon, Lumber,	3 12	
P. J. Murphy, Ins. Furnace,	160 00	
Foster & Farrar, Lock,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$363 46
Unexpended Balance,		<hr/> 36 54

# Treasurer's Report

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## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1925,	\$21,096 44
Rec'd from the State Dept. of Public Works-Division of Highways,	3,250 00
Income Tax 1922,	14 00
Income Tax 1923,	70 00
Income Tax 1924,	112 00
Income Tax 1925,	8,445 14
Corporation Tax, Public Service,	185 08
Corporation Tax, Business,	1,380 44
Street Railway Tax, 1924,	456 13
Street Railway Tax, 1925,	241 26
National Bank Tax,	254 17
Soldiers Exemption,	17 10
State Aid,	168 00
Aid for Mothers with dependent (children),	794 00
Temporary Aid,	14 16
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes,	44 83
Compensation for Inspector of Animals,	29 00
Massachusetts School Fund,	1,875 86
Vocational Education,	482 86
School Supt. in Small Towns,	946 46
Tuition of Children,	719 20
High School Tuition in Special cases,	1,008 33

Contagious Diseases,	\$133 50
Support of Paupers,	60 50
Director of Standards,	6 00
Refund of Dog Tax,	282 17
Court Fines and Forfeitures,	90 05
City of Northampton, Pauper Dept.,	304 30
City of Northampton, Health Dept.,	158 00
Corticelli Silk Co, Moth Work,	3 00
Tuition, City of Boston,	625 03
Tuition, Town of Plainfield,	350 00
Tuition, Town of Cummington,	150 00
Tuition, Town of Goshen,	190 00
Tuition, Town of Chesterfield,	300 00
Tuition, Town of Conway,	50 00
Tuition, Earl Cross,	7 00
Income Collins School Fund,	1,166 99
Sale of Grass on School lot (1923),	6 00
Sale of Scrap Iron (School Dept.),	6 10
Sale of Spelling Book (School Dept.),	56
Rent of Town Hall,	203 00
Rent of Grange Hall,	35 00
Sale of Grange Hall,	2,000 00
W. G. Bisbee, Coll.,	40,276 85
W. G. Bisbee, Town Clerk,	27 00
Williamsburg Water Dept.,	1,307 94
Loans-In Anticipation of Taxes,	35,000 00
Loan-Williams St. Bridge,	2,000 00
Interest on deposits,	371 60
Income-A. S. Hills' Fund,	212 50
Income-Onslow G. Spelman School Fund,	245 00
Refund on Poor Acct.,	559 75
Sale of Calcium Chloride,	43 64
Damages to the Bradford Lumber Co., Bridge,	52 76
Highway Dept., Town of Goshen,	6 90
Highway Dept., Use of Town Truck,	771 00



Highway Dept., Use of Town Tractor,	\$389 75
Highway Dept., Gravel from Town	
Bank,	14 30
Fees, Use of Scales,	18 00
Fees, Sealing weights,	1 70
Fees, Licenses,	17 00
	<hr/> \$129,047 35

## EXPENDITURES

Loan Account,	\$39,300 00
Interest,	2,945 83
State Tax,	3,480 00
Repairs on State Highway,	268 00
State Aid,	168 00
Mothers' Pension,	647 00
District Court Fees,	54 50
Hampshire Trustees, Aid to	
Agriculture,	150 00
County Tax,	6,297 93
Memorial Day,	60 00
School,	33,081 38
Onslow G. Spelman, School Fund,	245 00
Highway,	3,104 28
Highway Chap. 81,	7,350 93
Tractor,	1,782 00
Sinking Fund Commissioners,	1,000 00
Fire Department,	319 48
Street Lights,	2,009 25
Contingent,	2,589 50
Contingent, Poor,	764 64
Poor,	1,022 64
Salary,	1,656 22
Coupon,	1,620 00
Moth Work,	260 30
Insurance,	350 36
Nurse,	410 00
Williams Street Bridge,	3,000 00



Edwards Street Extension,	\$248 00	
Underpass,	2,500 00	
Meekins Library,	250 00	
Haydenville Library,	363 46	
Mountain Street Cemetery,	45 81	
A. S. Hills' Fund,	210 00	
Whiting Street Fund (Transfer),	199 53	
	<hr/>	\$117,754 04
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1926,		11,293 31
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		\$129,047 35
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1926,		\$11,293 31
Surplus War Bonus Funds,	1,029 86	
Balance on A. S. Hills' Fund,	446 80	
	<hr/>	\$1,476 66
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Available,		\$9,816 65

## ANTICIPATION OF REVEUNE LOANS ACCOUNT

### DR.

Jan. 1	Due on 1924 Loans,	\$25,000 00	
Apr. 1	Borrowed of Haydenville Savings Bank,	25,000 00	
June 16	Borrowed of Haydenville Savings Bank,	10,000 00	
		<hr/>	\$60,000 00

### CR.

Apr. 1	Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,	\$25,000 00	
Nov. 5	Paid Haydenville Savings Bank,	10,000 00	
1926			
Jan. 1	Balanue due on 1925 Loans,	25,000 00	
		<hr/>	\$60,000 00

## STATEMENT OF THE WATER DEBT

Water Bonds,	\$50,000 00	
Less Sinking Fund,	33,960 09	
	<hr/>	\$16,039 91

## WATER DEPT

## DR.

Cash on hand Jan 1, 1925,	\$1,307 94	
Received from H. E. Bradford, Coll.,	3,989 51	
Interest on deposits,	12 33	
Payment stopped on ck No. 161,		
issued 12/3/23,	3 11	
	<hr/>	\$5,312 89

## CR.

Cash expended,	\$3,151 14	
Cash on hand Jan 1, 1926,	2,161 75	
	<hr/>	\$5,312 89

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

## ASSETS

Balance in Treasury,	\$9,816 65	
Due on Outstanding Taxes,	16,322 84	
Sinking Fund,	33,960 09	
Water Dept.,	2,161 75	
Surplus War Bonus Funds,	1,029 86	
School Account,	484 06	
Poor Account,	1,034 08	
Mothers' Pension,	466 00	
	<hr/>	\$65,275 33

## LIABILITIES

Due Haydenville Savings Bank,		
Loan of 1925,	\$25,000	00
Silk Mill Bridge Loan,	1,000	00
Due Hampshire Co. Trust Co.,		
Water Extension Loan,	3,200	00
Williams Street Bridge Loan,	1,000	00
Due First National Bank, Northampton,		
Cone Bridge Loan,	6,000	00
Water Bonds Outstanding,	50,000	00
	<hr/>	\$86,200 00

Town Notes coming due in 1926,		
At the Haydenville Savings Bank,		
Apr. 1, Loan of 1925, Anticipation of		
Taxes,	\$25,000	00
July 10, Silk Mill Bridge Loan,	1,000	00
At the Hampshire Co Trust Co.,		
July 8, Water Extension Loan,	800	00
Nov. 28, Williams Street Bridge		
Loan,	1,000	00
At the First National Bank, Northampton,		
Oct. 1, Cone Bridge Loan,	1,000	00
	<hr/>	\$28,800 00

At the Hampshire County Trust Co.,		
3 Notes \$800 each Water Extension		
Loan coming due July 8, 1927-1928		
and 1929,	2,400	00    2,400 00
At the First National, Northampton,		
5 Notes \$1,000 each, Cone Bridge		
Loan coming due Oct. 1, 1927-1928,		
1929-1930 and 1931,	\$5,000	00    \$5,000 00

## INCOME FROM THE COLLINS SCHOOL FUND

Dividends on the following Bank Stocks,

20 shares Northampton Nat. Bank, \$320 00

20 shares Hampshire Co. Trust Co., 120 00

21 shares 1st Nat. Bank, Northampton, 168 00

21 shares 1st Nat. Bank, Greenfield, 210 00

24 shares Mechanics Nat. Bank,

Worcester, 276 00

Interest on deposit at Haydenville

Savings Bank, 72 99

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 \$1,166 99

A Stock dividend was declared 1/10/25  
by the Mechanics Nat. Bank, Worcester  
which doubled the number of shares pre-  
viously held by the Town.

## INCOME FROM THE ELECTA WAIT FUND

## DR.

Cash on hand 1/1/25, \$38 18

Interest, 79 78

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 \$117 96

## CR.

Paid Beneficiaries, \$110 00

Service charges at bank, 2 50

Cash on hand 1/1/26, 5 46

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 \$117 96

The Electa Wait Fund amounts to \$1,773.51 and is on  
deposit at the Haydenville Savings Bank.

## INCOME FROM THE WHITING STREET FUND

## DR.

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1925,	\$199 53	
Interest transferred,	350 00	
	<hr/>	\$549 53

## CR.

Paid Beneficiaries,	\$415 00	
Service charges at the bank,	1 50	
Cash on hand 1/1/26,	133 03	
	<hr/>	\$549 53

The Whiting Street Fund amounts to \$5,523.39 and is on deposit in the Savings Dept. Hampshire Co. Trust Co.  
Additional Interest available, \$253 37

## INCOME FROM A. S. HILLS' FUND

## DR.

Cash on hand 1/1/25,	\$444 30	
Income,	212 50	
	<hr/>	\$656 80

## CR.

Paid Beneficiaries,	\$210 00	
Cash on hand 1/1/26,	446 80	
	<hr/>	\$656 80

Received from the Elizabeth G. Spelman Estate, a fund of \$26,000, to be known as the Onslow G. Spelman School Fund. Part of this sum is invested in bonds and the balance is on deposit in the Haydenville Savings Bank.

# INCOME FROM THE ONSLOW G. SPELMAN SCHOOL FUND

## DR.

Income to 1/1/1926,	\$245 00
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## CR.

Expended to 1/1/1926,	\$245 00
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## PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

On deposit in the the Haydenville Savings Bank.

I. F. Baker Fund,	\$300 00	
L. C. Graves Fund,	200 00	
W. F. Warren Fund,	100 00	
H. W. Warner Fund,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$700 00

Interest available on the first two,	\$137 50	
Interest available on the last two,	55 00	
	<hr/>	\$192 50

## SURPLUS WAR BONUS FUND

(Chap. 480—Acts of 1924)

Cash on hand 1/1/26,	\$1,029 86
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This fund was received from the Commonwealth in 1924 to be held as a special fund until appropriated for one of the purposes specified in chapter 480.

ANNA E. WATSON,

Town Treasurer.

# Assessors' Report

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Value of assessed Real Estate,	\$1,007,555 00
Value of assessed Personal Estate,,	309,145 00
	<hr/> \$1,316,700 00
Value of assessed buildings,	\$701,275 00
Value of assessed land,	306,280 00
	<hr/> \$1,007,555 00
Number of Polls assessed,	596
Number of residents assessed on property,	500
All others (corporations, etc.),	46
Number of non-residents assessed on property,	67
All others,	19
Number of Persons assessed on property,	632
Number of Persons assessed for Poll Tax only,	237
Rate of Tax per Thousand,	\$31 25
Number of Horses assessed,	171
Number of Cows assessed,	473
Number of Neat Cattle assessed,	172
Number of Sheep assessed,	47
Number of Swine assessed,	44
Number of Fowls assessed,	4,339
Number of dwellings,	445



State Tax,	\$3,480 00	
State Highway Tax,	268 00	
County Tax,	6,297 93	
Town Grant,	31,620 50	
Overlayings,	1,628 95	
	<hr/>	\$43,295 38
Bank and Corporation Tax,	2,450 00	
Income Tax, G. L. Chap. 70, Part II,	1,875 86	
Income Tax, G. L. Chap. 70, Part 1,	7,807 14	
Value of Property Exempt from Taxation.		
Literary Institutions,	\$76,800 00	
Church Property,	53,900 00	
Petticoat Hill Park,	1,600 00	
	<hr/>	\$132,300 00
Estimated value of Public Buildings,		
Water Works, Fire Apparatus, and		
Sinking Fund,		\$162,025 00

Respectfully submitted,  
 JAMES R. MANSFIELD,  
 WALTER E. KELLOGG,  
 ROSWELL JORGENSEN,

Board of Assessors.

# Report of Sinking Fund Commissioners

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## DR.

Feb. 1, 1925, Cash in Bank,	\$6,732 24
Interest on deposit,	147 72
Interest on Wmsb. Bonds,	840 00
Interest on U. S. Bonds,	187 00
U. S. Bond 3rd sold,	1,842 40
U. S. Bond gain on sale,	171 35
U. S. Bonds 4th sold,	1,952 33
U. S. Bonds gain on sale,	87 05
Received from Town	
Treas.,	1,000 00
Cash in Haydenville	
Savings Bank,	————— \$12,960 09

## ASSETS

Jan. 4, 1926.

Cash in Haydenville	
Savings,	\$12,960 09
Williamsburg Bonds,	21,000 00
	————— \$33,960 09

Respectfully submitted,  
HENRY W. GRAVES,  
HUBERT A. SMITH,  
LEON B. SANDERSON,  
Commissioners.

# Auditors' Statement

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Williamsburg, Mass., Feb. 8, 1926

We, the undersigned, certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Water Commissioners, Tax Collector, Sinking Fund Commissioners and School Committee for the year 1925.

A few slight errors were found which have been satisfactorily adjusted otherwise the accounts were correct and properly vouched for to the best of our knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM G. LOOMIS,  
RAYMOND P. BUCK.

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## ALMONERS OF WHITING STREET FUND

Jan. 1, 1925, Unexpended balance,	\$199 53	
Interest,	350 00	
	<hr/>	\$549 53
Paid 40 Beneficiaries,	\$415 00	
Balance,	134 53	
	<hr/>	\$549 53

MRS. MARTHA BISBEE,  
MRS. JOSEPHINE SHEEHAN,  
ARTHUR J. POLMATIER.

# Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

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Williamsburg, Mass.,

Dec. 31, 1925

Mr. A. G. Cone :

Chairman Board of Selectmen,

Herewith is my report as sealer of weights and measures.

During the year I have tested and sealed 35 Scales, 20 Liquid measures, 10 gasoline pumps, 3 Kerosene Pumps and 48 Measured Stops on Pumps.

About every case where a scale was wrong it was giving over weight.

I noted also that many of the heavy computing scales were on counters that did not offer rigid foundations.

The gasoline pumps were very accurate.

Respectfully,

CHAS. A. POWERS,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

# Report of Milk Inspector

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Honorable Board of Selectmen :

Herewith is my report as Milk Inspector. 54 permits to sell milk were issued for the year 1925.

Most of the milk produced in this town is handled in a sanitary manner and an extra effort is noticed amongst dairy men in guarding against ill health in their animals.

Samples of milk analized showed that milk being delivered is above the state law requirements in regard to butter fat.

Respectfully,

CHAS. A. POWERS,

Milk Inspector.

# Report of Extension Service

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Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the town of Williamsburg.

I respectfully offer the report of the work done by the Extension Service agents in Williamsburg during 1925.

## *Agricultural Work*

A poultry school was held on February 26 at which 22 people were present. Nine poultrymen have been carrying on poultry disease control work which means plant sanitation and growing chicks on new land each year. Six poultrymen have been sending in monthly production records. A good many calls have been made to help poultrymen out of difficulties.

In fruit growing, eleven fruit growers carried on nitrate of soda demonstrations on their orchards. All of these showed results either in increased vigor of the trees or in increased crops. A county fruit meeting was held at Hillside Orchards at which Chas. Gould was elected President of the Hampshire County Apple Growers' Association.

In dairy production, work has been continued in a campaign to get dairy farmers to grow more and better roughages on their farms so that grain bills could be reduced to a reasonable figure.

Interest was aroused in the use of lime and one car-load was brought in. Alfalfa demonstrations were started with C. B. Tower and Geo. Dansereau. Several other men are planning alfalfa fields for next year. Chas. Graves and Sereno Clark conducted corn variety tests in which Lancaster County Sure Crop corn and Huron County corn were compared, with usual varieties. These tests showed that the Sure Crop is a rather larger variety than most men will care to grow. The Huron County corn is worthy of further trial.

The following men became members of the cow testing association: Ed. O'Neil, Allen Adams, C. B. Tower, S. S. Clark and the Hampshire County Black Fox Co.

### *Homemaking Work:*

No project work as such has been carried on this year but the Home demonstration agent has worked individually with women who have wanted help. The agent has made home visits and helped some of the women rearrange their kitchens so they would be more convenient.

The women have also had the opportunity of attending very fine lectures held in Northampton under the auspices of the Home Department of the Extension Service. At these lectures the speakers have been much better than could be obtained if the meetings were to be held in a small community.

### *Club Work:*

Club work in Williamsburg isn't what it ought to be because of the lack of adult leadership. However three sewing clubs and a few poultry and dairy members did very good work. Thirty-three boys and girls were in the work and three leaders directed them. At the Center Mrs. Murray Graves and at Haydenville Miss Mildred



Daley and Miss Mildred Brown led girls' clothing clubs. Charles Damon, Jr. won a number of times in the monthly egg laying contest and other poultry and dairy members show interest.

What we need a great deal in Williamsburg is a little adult interest. The work can't be run with the youngsters alone.

At Haydenville Mrs. Charles Gould is willing to help a group of girls in food club work and Miss Marion Chandler will lead a group in sewing, at the Center we lack a leader in boys' and girls' work.

CHARLES A. POWERS,

Town Director.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Williamsburg

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1925



# Report of School Committee

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To the Citizens of the Town of Williamsburg:

Your School Committee beg leave to submit their Annual Report as follows:—

The major repairs made during 1925 include the re-decoration of the interior of the James School Building, the installation of electric lights in the Haydenville Grammar School, three new furnaces for the Haydenville buildings and considerable carpenter work in the several school buildings.

During the present year it will be necessary to lay new floors in several of the school rooms and considerable painting is necessary.

At the opening of the Fall term, an unusually large number of pupils were to register from North District and it was considered wise to open the school in that district for one year. It is unfortunate that after the school had been in session only a short time the majority of registered pupils removed from town and it is doubtful if it will be wise to continue this school during the current year,

The need for additional room on the second floor of the James School to be used by the High School is as apparent as ever, and some action should be taken in view of the ever increasing costs. The crowded condition of some of the rooms in Haydenville Grammar School will have to be relieved this year. Your Committee are to consider a plan to relieve the congestion at a very small cost.

The piano in use for years at our High School was replaced by a new one purchased at a very attractive price and the old piano is now at the Haydenville school where it will be greatly appreciated.

For the year 1926, your Committee ask for the same appropriation as has been granted the past two years, namely, \$33,500.00.

In closing our Report, your committee extends its sincere thanks to all who have had any part in the administration of school affairs.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. CLARK FOSTER,  
SUSAN H. WHEELER,  
WALTER H. THAYER,  
School Committee.

## SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

To Teachers,	\$16,312 26
Janitors,	1,984 55
Janitors Supplies,	216 09
Music and Penmanship,	1,100 00
Music Supplies,	368 25
Superintendent,	1,300 00
Union Expenses,	200 00
School Nurse and Supplies,	544 22
School Physicians,	233 50
Transportation,	3,322 50
Fuel,	1,774 80
Repairs,	2,165 01
Sundries,	601 22
Books,	900 35
School Room Supplies,	1,047 36
Smiths' Agricultural School,	579 37
Freight and Cartage,	27 17
Light,	96 86
Insurance,	46 50
Truant Officers,	31 00
School Committee,	250 00
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	\$33,101 01

*Deductions*

By Checks Returned,	\$17 41
By Treasurer's Error,	2 22
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	\$19 63

Net Expenditure,	\$33,081 38
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Town Appropriation,	\$33,500 00
Expended,	33,081 38
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Unexpended,	\$418 62
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## DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES

## TEACHERS

Leslie C. Anderson,	\$510 00
John Bauer,	480 00
Mildred C. Brown,	690 00
Josephine G. Cahill,	1,005 00
Marion Chandler,	880 00
Grace Conners,	320 00
Ethel Curry,	1,000 00
Anne T. Dunphy,	1,493 36
Nelle A. Dolan,	966 72
Margaret C. Daley,	600 00
Alice Graves,	320 00
Linda Howlett,	380 00
Cleon B. Johnson,	720 00
Jennie C. Kiely,	966 72
Doris E. Leland,	885 46
Mrs. W. A. Metcalf,	35 00
Flora L. Merrifield,	1,300 00
Margaret C. O'Leary,	1,000 00
Helen L. Pratt,	720 00
Elizabeth J. Purrington,	1,000 00
Mrs. R. A. Warner,	1,040 00
	<hr/> \$16,312 26

## JANITORS

Marion Chandler,	\$36 00
Henry Dansereau,	861 15
Frederick Kohl,	17 00
F. H. Reasoner,	10 40
G. Vernon Warner,	1,060 00
	<hr/> \$1,984 55

## JANITORS' SUPPLIES

W. J. Sheehan & Co.,	\$56 31	
Standard Oil Co.,	10 58	
George F. Cramer,	81 90	
Foster-Farrar Co.,	2 25	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	28 02	
Burke & Burdeau,	29 93	
F. H. Reasoner,	20	
Parsons Electric Co.,	3 00	
A. J. Polmatier & Son,	3 90	
	<hr/>	\$216 09

## MUSIC AND PENMANSHIP

C. Ruth Warner,	\$1,100 00
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## MUSIC SUPPLIES

Allyn & Bacon,	\$24 00	
Ginn & Co.,	88 72	
Oliver Ditson & Co.,	14 33	
Theo. Prisser & Co.,	4 49	
C. C. Birchard & Co.,	7 46	
W. G. Loomis,	17 00	
F. T. Atkins,	13 50	
The Music House,	198 75	
	<hr/>	\$368 25

## SUPERINTENDENT AND UNION EXPENSES

L. A. Merritt,	\$1,500 00
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## SCHOOL NURSE AND SUPPLIES

W. J. Sheehan & Co.,	\$44 22	
Fabiola Plourde,	500 00	
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## SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

Dr. J. G. Hayes, M. D.,	\$120 00	
Dr. C. H. Wheeler, M. D.,	113 50	
	<hr/>	\$233 50

## TRANSPORTATION

S. A. Clark,	\$420 00	
Chas. Goodale,	13 00	
Carl E. Leavitt,	479 00	
C. A. Nichols,	800 00	
R. T. Nichols,	22 50	
Mrs. James Stone,	358 00	
J. E. Wade,	390 00	
Street Railroad Co.,	840 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,322 50

## FUEL

R. G. Bradford,	\$7 00	
W. C. Devlin,	24 00	
J. H. Graham,	589 13	
W. E. Kellogg,	72 00	
D. Lacourse,	80 00	
Lenihan Bros.,	975 67	
D. E. Sanderson,	9 00	
F. A. Shumway,	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,774 80

## SUNDRIES

Hammond & Hammond,	\$10 00
Town of Williamsburg (Water Dept.),	76 00
Mrs. Arthur Hinds,	60 00
N. E. Tel & Tel Co.,	18 13
Frederick L. Smith,	25 00
T. A. Purser,	14 00

J. L. Hammett Co.,	\$104 00	
Metcalf Printing Co.,	12 00	
Parsons Electric Co.,	3 50	
Henry Dansereau,	1 97	
Commissioner Public Safety,	4 00	
Clara L. Rustemeyer,	3 50	
Leslie C. Anderson,	6 00	
City of Northampton,	263 12	
	<hr/>	\$601 22

## REPAIRS

Chas. H. Church,	\$23 50	
H. C. Pomeroy,	9 40	
Edward H. Blake,	1 40	
P. J. Murphy,	780 73	
F. L. Woodruff,	8 44	
W. J. Sheehan & Co.,	277 40	
Charles Mitchell,	36 85	
Suriner & McBreen,	307 45	
T. C. O'Brien,	75 25	
Howes Brick Co.,	18 00	
Hampden Paint Co.,	27 80	
Taylor & Mellen,	1 25	
Haydenville Co.,	1 60	
H. L. Richardson,	381 25	
J. Hugh Pierce,	5 58	
Consolidated Dry Goods Co.,	58 95	
Parsons Electric Co.,	6 76	
W. F. Tetro,	4 50	
H. B. Smith Co.,	77 00	
George Dansereau,	13 00	
Henry Dansereau,	10 70	
Graves Garage,	60	
F. H. Reasoner,	4 60	
Nuttleman Mfg Co.,	2 00	
F. E. Sanderson,	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,165 01

## SCHOOL ROOM SUPPLIES

Educational Supply Co.,	\$2 75	
Public School Publishing Co.,	11 83	
Wright & Potter,	6 00	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	475 58	
Wiswell The Druggist,	67 79	
Edw. E. Babb Co.,	1 46	
Webster Publishing Co.,	1 73	
Gazette Publishing Co.,	62 85	
Edward C. Foster,	1 40	
The Paperscrafters Co.,	18 75	
Keystone View Co.,	128 50	
Milton Bradley Co.,	10 12	
Consolidated Dry Goods Co.,	237 50	
Denoyer-Gippert Co.,	21 10	
	<hr/>	\$1,047 36

## BOOKS

D. C. Heath & Co.,	\$86 93
Allyn & Bacon,	75 38
American Book Co.,	46 79
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	51
Lyon & Carnahan,	41 74
Chas. Scribners' Sons,	7 88
Little, Brown & Co.,	5 84
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	82 20
MacMillan Co.,	21 96
Ginn & Co.,	149 88
J. C. Winston Co.,	77 78
Regents Publishing Co.,	1 30
J. L. Hammett Co.,	20 41
Rand, McNally & Co.,	42 60
National Educational Association,	3 00
Bruce Publishing Co.,	3 82
Oval & Koster,	22 45
J. B. Lippincott Co.,	148 41

Northampton Commercial Co.,	\$23 83	
Bridgman & Lyman,	19 06	
Eldridge Entertainment House,	3 00	
Dowling School Supply Co.,	15 58	
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## SMITHS' AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL

Tuition,	\$579 37
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## FREIGHT AND CARTAGE

American Railway Express,	\$1 24	
R. J. Damon,	24 83	
Mrs. Fannie Loomis,	1 10	
	<hr/>	\$27 17

## LIGHT

Mill River Electric Light Co.,	\$96 86
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## INSURANCE

W. M. Purrington,	\$46 50
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## TRUANT OFFICERS

B. L. Dobbs,	\$10 00	
E. H. Blake,	21 00	
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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Susan H. Wheeler,	\$50 00	
Walter H. Thayer,	50 00	
J. Clark Foster,	150 00	
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## SCHOOL STATISTICS

for the Year Ending June 30, 1925

School	Boys enrolled	Girls enrolled	Av. membership	Av. attendance	Per cent of Attendance	Aggregate Attendance
Williamsburg High	35	42	70.29	65.41	92.6	12,343.5
Grammar	15	9	21.82	20.42	93.2	3,445.5
Intermediate	18	22	35.38	32.46	91.	5,480.5
Second Primary	18	17	34.10	31.54	92.5	5,337.5
First Primary	25	24	40.94	38.71	88.7	6,432.0
Haydenville Grammar	19	20	30.52	28.26	92.3	4,715.5
Intermediate	26	16	40.85	38.15	94.0	6,465.5
Grade IV	25	16	40.93	38.29	93.5	6,491.5
Grade III	24	15	39.12	36.70	93.8	6,211.5
Grade II	15	19	31.38	29.52	95.0	4,993.0
Grade I	26	24	45.66	42.54	93.3	7,167.0
Mt. Street	9	10	16.02	14.61	90.0	2,393.5



# School Calendar

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1926

Sept. 7—Schools open.

Dec. 23—Schools close.

1927

Jan. 3—Schools open.

Feb. 25—Schools close for one week.

Mar. 7—Schools open.

April 29—Schools close for one week.

May 9—Schools open.

June 3—Grade schools close.

June 24—High school closes.

The usual holidays will be observed.

# Superintendent's Report

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To the Members of the School Committee:

The annual report of the superintendent of schools is herewith submitted.

During the year 1925 thirteen schools were in operation. This is one more than last year because the building in the North District was opened to accommodate the increased number of pupils in that district. Owing to the fact that some have since moved away only eight are now enrolled there. This school should be closed in June until the number increases enough to pay to keep it open.

The following changes occurred in the teaching force during the year. Mr. Cleon Johnson went to Littleton, Mass., to teach. Mr. John Bauer, a graduate of Brown University, was appointed to take his place. Miss Helen S. Pratt of Weaton College resigned, and Mrs. Raymond Warner, a graduate of Smith College, was transferred from the grades to that position. Miss Linda Howlett, a graduate of North Adams Normal School, was secured to teach grades seven and eight, the position left vacant by Mrs. Warner's transfer. At Haydenville Miss Mildred Brown resigned to go to Madison, Ct. Mr. Leslie Anderson of M. A. C. was elected principal of the Center School to fill this vacancy. Miss Mildred Daly accepted a position in Pittsfield, and Miss Marion Chandler was transferred from the Mountain Street School to this position.

Miss Grace Connors, a graduate of Salem Normal School, was appointed to teach the Mountain Street School. Miss Alice Graves who has summer normal school training and one year's experience was elected to carry on the work at the North School.

The enrolment at Haydenville continues to increase in the lower grades, the fourth, fifth, and sixth having the most crowded rooms. As organized now grade four with forty pupils and a part of grade five with nine pupils are in one room under Miss O'Leary's direction. The rest of grade five with twenty one members and all of grade six with twenty six members are in Miss Chandler's room. To relieve these conditions a new room should be opened arranging the classes as follows: Miss O'Leary grade four, forty members; New teacher, grade five, thirty-one members; Miss Chandler, grade six, twenty six members. This arrangement would put the Haydenville schools on a "one grade to a room" basis for the first six grades. The advantages are evident and do not need explanation.

The above plan leads to the problem of securing another classroom. Possibly it could be added to the old building. That, however, would be a makeshift arrangement and would not be permanent. I believe that the correct solution of all of Haydenville's school problems will come only when a new building is built in that section of the town. The defects of the old buildings are too well known to need review, and the needs of the present are also known. I therefore recommend that the Town Meeting appoint a committee to investigate the school housing conditions at Haydenville, and report its findings at some future meeting.

The only change in the elementary school curriculum has been in the method of teaching spelling. In September the Horn-Ashbaugh plan was adopted. By this plan the pupils are tested, and then they study the words that they do not know. Each word is given in a test at least

five times, and much drill is provided. Every pupil is allowed to put all of his efforts on words that present some particular difficulty for him. Tests given at Christmas time showed every class average to be much higher than it was a year ago. The work in spelling has been greatly improved by this change.

Under my direction the school nurse with the aid of the teachers is making a study of the causes of absence. Each illness is listed, and records kept. At the end of the year a chart will be made showing the total number of absences and the percentages for each cause of absence. It is hoped that suggestions can be drawn from this chart for the reduction in the number of absences due to sickness. The work in health teaching will no doubt be helped by this plan.

After a conference with Mr. Frank P. Morse, Supervisor of Secondary education, and a meeting of the School Committee, changes were made in the high school which added to the high school program the course in occupational civics. This is a study of the various occupations that our boys or girls might take up in later life, and serves indirectly as a vocational guidance course. Commercial arithmetic has also been added to the program. A rule was adopted by which it is possible now for any boy or girl to graduate from the high school without having studied any foreign language. This was done in order to make the high school a school for all types of children.

In closing permit me to thank the School Committee and all others for their help and co-operation during the year of 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. MERRITT,

Superintendent of Schools.

# Report of School Nurse

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Mr. L. A. Merritt and Members of the School Board.

Following is a brief report of Nursing in the schools of the town.

An average of five days a month is devoted to school nursing. In the course of the year the children have been weighed two times; the under-weight four times.

A Chest Clinic under the direction of the State Department and the Hampshire County public Health Association was conducted in our town in November. It was quite an undertaking, weighing and measuring and making home visits. The total number of under-weight and tubercular contact children examined being 70.

A diphtheria clinic was conducted in June in Haydenville and Williamsburg. About 89 children were protected against this dreadful disease. Dr. J. G. Hayes and Dr. C. Wheeler gave the injections.

A Dental Clinic under the direction of the Red Cross and the services of Dr. Sherwood is conducted in our schools every year. It is a great advantage to our school children. It has made it possible for our school children to have their teeth examined and taken care of at very reasonable rates. It seems a very necessary branch in our health plans as bad teeth will lead to so many diseases.

Mrs. LaValley assists Dr. Sherwood in Williamsburg and I assist him in Haydenville.



105 home visits were made. These visits have been made to explain to the parents the necessity of correcting the defects found at the annual physical examination and also to obtain the consent of the parent to have the children examined in the Chest Clinic.

175 dressings. A few first aid dressings and several cases of impetigo.

Eye and ear test to all pupils once a year. Assisted Dr. Hayes and Dr. Wheeler with the annual physical examination.

All pupils vaccinated with the exception of three or four. These pupils have obtained certificates from a physician.

I have given health talks and distribute health literature. I have loaned Theresa Dansdill's Health Training in Schools to the teachers and we believe it is a very good help in the teaching of health to our children. Therefore our School Committee has decided to have a copy for each class-room.

In closing I wish to thank the Superintendent, School Committee, the teachers and the parents for their interest and co-operation in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

FABIOLA PLOURDE, R. N.

# Report of Music Supervisor

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Mr. L. A. Merritt,

Herewith I submit a brief resume of the special work in music in our schools for the year 1925-1926.

The progress in music continues in the same satisfactory way, and it is needless for me to detail our general work. Our lesson plans and course of study have been carefully followed and carried out with the assistance of very competent grade teachers. Sight reading, theory and voice training have been our aims and so that the theoretical part may not become monotonous. Many wrote songs for the lower grades and songs suitable for different occasions and seasons of the year are intermingled.

Each year at Christmas time a musical operetta of some sort is presented. This year at Williamsburg "Santa and the Givers" a Christmas operetta by M. Isabelle Ritter was given in the Helen James Hall at the closing of school before the Christmas holidays. About fifty children from the grades assisted. At Haydenville, "Santa at Sea" by E. Duncan-Yale was presented on the evening of December 22. This was enjoyed by an audience which filled the Club Hall. About forty children took part in this operetta.



The latter part of March, 1925, the High School presented the romantic musical comedy by Dodge, "The Gypsy Rover." This was played successfully two evenings in succession at the Town hall,—but not without much difficulty, however, due to the illness of the leading lady, whose part was substituted by one who had recently acted the part in the "Gypsy Rover" given by the West Springfield High School. At a later date in the school year, it was decided to give the operetta a third time, having our own leading lady in the cast, and this time was equally successful.

The High School orchestra under the leadership of Mr. John Bauer, is doing splendid work and furnishes music for school purposes, and also, occasionally for organization outside of the High School.

I think it will be unnecessary for me to say more about our work, but I would like to invite any one who may be interested, to visit our music classes at any time.

And now it is my pleasure to thank you, the school committee, teachers and pupils, for your co-operation.

Very respectfully,

C. RUTH WARNER,

Music Supervisor.

# Report of School Physicians

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Mr. L. A. Merritt,

Superintendent of Schools.

Dear Sir:—Following is my annual report as School Physician for the village of Williamsburg:

The number of examinations,	216
The number of cases of diseased tonsils and adenoids,	16
The number of cases of decayed teeth,	14
The number of ill nourished children,	3
The number of notices sent to parents of children needing special attention,	30

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. HAYES, M. D.

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The health work in the schools is largely prophylatic or preventive. This is always the aim of health workers—prevention rather than cure. There are at least three common diseases that may be prevented, small-pox, typhoid fever and diphtheria. One of these is already taken care of, as the state law provides that all children be vaccinated against small-pox before entering school. This law is adhered to quite rigidly in this town and 95 per

cent of the pupils are vaccinated before the end of the first month in school. There is only a small per cent of people opposed to this measure. Those who have arrived from Europe in recent years have been the most anxious to have their children vaccinated, because the law there required vaccination before the age of six months.

The other two diseases, typhoid fever and diphtheria might be made as rare as small-pox. In this town, owing to the pure water supply, there have been only a few cases of typhoid during the last twenty years. However, with the vast movement of people from place to place, as is common at the present day, it is neglectful of one's health not to be immunized against typhoid fever. All soldiers of all the great armies taking part in the late war were inoculated against the germ of typhoid, with the result that the disease is practically negligible in an army. A young man entering a training camp must be immunized before going to camp.

Diphtheria is the third preventable disease, but more in the lime light at present than either of the other two, because of the Schick test which is new and which has had great publicity during the last few years through its use in the schools to determine whether or not a child is naturally immune to the disease. This test consists in injecting into the skin a small amount of the test fluid and is painless. If a red spot occurs at the site of injection in three or four days, the child is susceptible to diphtheria and should be protected by injections of toxin-antitoxin. It is worthy of note that since this test was used in Williamsburg in May 1921 followed by toxin-antitoxin for those who needed it, there have been only six cases of diphtheria where previously from one to thirteen cases were cared for every year.

A better understanding of disease, together with education, has increased the average span of human life by over twenty years during the last three generations, and it may be increased still more than that in the future if

people wish to co-operate with health agencies now functioning.

In this connection it should be stated that there is a serum for the treatment of scarlet fever which is of undoubted value, although its value as a preventive is undetermined.

Aside from impetigo contagiosa, there have been no contagious diseases in the Haydenville schools this year. Although there are several cases of bad teeth and malnutrition and infected tonsils, I find the pupils in general in good health. A few cases of deformity are being taken care of at hospitals.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. WHEELER, M. D.





